

## CLAIMS

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is as follows:

- 1 1. A printer capable of having any of a plurality  
2 of toners installed in a print engine thereof, said  
3 printer including  
4 a developer unit,  
5 a switch settable to a state corresponding to a  
6 particular said toner, and  
7 a communication path connectable to a feedback  
8 link extending from said printer to a supporting  
9 data processor.
- 1 2. A printer as recited in claim 1, wherein said  
2 communication path includes an AFCCU.
- 1 3. A printer as recited in claim 1, wherein said  
2 printer includes a customer changeable developer  
3 feature.
- 1 4. A printer as recited in claim 3, wherein said  
2 customer changeable developer feature is enabled or  
3 disabled in accordance a setting of said switch.
- 1 5. A printer as recited in claim 1, wherein said  
2 switch is associated with said developer unit.

1       6.    A printer as recited in claim 1, further  
2       including means for limiting user access to said  
3       switch.

1       7.    A printer as recited in claim 6 wherein said  
2       means for limiting access is a removable panel.

1       8.    A computer controlled printer system including  
2       a data processor,  
3       a printer capable of having any of a plurality  
4       of toners loaded therein, and  
5       a dedicated processor connecting and  
6       selectively communicating between said data  
7       processor and said printer,  
8       said printer including means for selectively  
9       storing and communicating data corresponding to a  
10      said toner to said dedicated processor and forming a  
11      portion of a feedback link extending to said data  
12      processor.

1       9.    A system as recited in claim 8, wherein said  
2       printer includes a customer changeable developer  
3       feature.

1       10.   A system as recited in claim 9, wherein said  
2       customer changeable developer feature is enabled or  
3       disabled in accordance with said data.

1       11.   A system as recited in claim 8, wherein said  
2       means for selectively storing includes a switch is  
3       associated with said developer unit.

1 12. A system as recited in claim 8, further  
2 including means for limiting user access to said  
3 switch.

1 13. A system as recited in claim 12 wherein said  
2 means for limiting access is a removable panel.

1 14. A method of operating a computer controlled  
2 printing system including steps of  
3 installing a toner in a connected printer,  
4 storing data corresponding to said toner in  
5 said printer, and  
6 communicating said data corresponding to said  
7 toner to a supporting processor through a dedicated  
8 processor for routing data to said printer.

1 15. A method as recited in claim 14, wherein said  
2 storing step includes setting of a switch.